The total bulk drugs production in the country has been arrived at on the basis of production of the monitored bulk drugs. Even though in the case of indivdiual bulk drugs there may be decrease in production due to obsolesence and other factors, on the whole the production of bulk drugs is showing an upward trend, Monitoring of production is a continuous process and steps have been taken to make the data base as wide and representative as possible.

Development of new variety of rice

4866. SHRI K. R. MALKANI:

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Rice Reseacch Institute has developed the first-ever variety of super-rice in the World as reported in the Stateman, dated 9-4-1995.

(b) if so, what are the plus/minus points;

(c) whether the new rice variety has been patented; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) and (b) A new rice variety named 'Lunashree' has been develpoed which has some of the features of hypothetical ideal variety called 'Super rice'.

Lunishree was released for commercial cultivation in coastal saline areas of Orissa where salinity and water-logging co-exists. It has tolerance to salinity. It is resistant to blast and suited for growing during kharif season. The duration of this variety is 145 days and having long and bold grains. However average yield potential as recorded in multi-locational trials is around 4 t/ha.

(c) Lunishree was developed and released from CRRI in 1992 through 'Central Sub-Committee on Crop Standards and Notification'.

(d) Question does not arise.

Price of wheat for farmers

4867. SHRI O. P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the farmers are to be paid more price for their wheat than the support price announced already for the next rabi crop;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof and how much more money is proposed to be given;

(c) whether the traders have reacted to the proposal; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) to (d) There is no proposal under consideration, at present, to enhance the minimum support price of wheat fixed at Rs. 360 per quintal for the 1994-95 crop to be marketed in 1995-96 season.

Mild earth quake in Orissa

4868. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the tremor and mild earth quake in Orissa;

(b) if so, the damage caused to that State on account of last tremor and mild earth quake; and

(c) the steps taken to extenl assistance to that State for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) According to information received from India Meteorological Department an earth quake of moderate intensity having its magnitude 5.0 on the Richter Scale occurred at

13.22 hrs. On 27th March, 1995 with its epicentre at latitude 21.90 Nlongitude 84.8 oE in Sundargarh district of Orissa.

(b) The Government of Orissa have reported that the earthquake which was felt in parts of Jharsuguda, Sundargarh, Bolangir, Deogarh, Sambalpur, Angul, Pallahara, Talcher and Athamalik districts caused only minor cracks in a few buildings.

(c) The State Government can assist the affected people using the corpus of the Calamity Relief Fund (CRF). The first quarterly instalment of the Central share of CRF for 1995-96 amounting to Rs. 8.67 crores has been released to Government of Orissa on 6th April, 1995.

मत्स्य उत्पादन हेतु लक्ष्य

4869. **श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव** : क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) आठवीं पंजवर्षीय योजना अवधि के दौरान मत्स्य उत्पादन हेतु कितना लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया गया है ;

(ख) आठवीं योजना अवधि के दौरान मत्स्य पालन के विकास के लिए केन्द्र प्रायोजित योजनाओं का ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) इस प्रयोजनार्थ राज्यों को आवंटित की गयी निधियों की धनराशि क्या है ?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एस० कृष्ण कुमार) : (क) आठवीं पंचवर्षीं योजना अवधि के दौरान मछली उत्पादन के लिए निर्धारित लक्ष्य निम्मानुसार है :—

(लाख मीटरी टन)

वर्ष	निर्धारित लक्ष्य
1992–93	42.30
1993–94	45.72
1994–95	47.50
1995–96	49.50
1996–97	51.40

(ख) आठवीं योजना अवधि के दौरान मात्स्यिकी के विकास के लिए केन्द्र द्वारा प्रायोजित योजनाएं इस प्रकार हैं :—

(1) लघु पत्तनों पर मत्स्यन पत्तन सुविधाएं प्रदान करना।

(2) ताजे पानी में जलकृषि का विकास ।

(3) एकीकृत खारापानी मछली फाम विकास ।

(4) तटवर्ती समुद्री मात्स्यिकी का विकास :—

(क) पारम्परिक नौकाओं में मोटर लगाना ।

(ख) प्लाईवुड की नौकाओं का प्रवर्तन ।

(ग) तट से दूर समुद्री मत्स्यन ससाधनों के दोहन के लिए मध्यवर्ती नौकाओं का प्रवर्तन ।

(घ) 20 मीटर से कम लंबाई वाले यंत्रीकृत मत्स्यन जलयानों को सप्लाई किए जाने वाले हाईस्पीड डीजल तल पर केन्द्री उत्पाद शुल्क की प्रतिपूर्ति ।

(5) समुद्री मत्स्यन विनियमन अधिनियम लागू करना और कृत्रिम समुद्री चट्टान तथा समुद्री-फार्मिग परियोजनाओं की स्थापना ।

(6) अन्तर्देशीय मछली विपणन लिए बुनियादी सुविधाओं के सुदृढीकरण हेतु सहायता ।

(7) राष्ट्रीय मछुआरा कल्याण योजना योजना :—

(क) आदर्श मछुआरा गांवों का विकास ।

(ख) सक्रिय मछुआरों के लिए सामूहिक दुर्घटना बीमा योजना ।

(ग) समुद्री मछुआरों के लिए बचत बराहत योजना ।